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SUBJECT: CSCE POLICY-HUMAN CONTACTS INTRODUCTORY TEXT

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1. DURING GENERAL REVIEW OF BASKET III AT LUNCHEON WITH DUBININ OF SOVIET DELEGATION ON FEBURARY 4 (SCHEDULED PRIOR RECEIPT REFTEL), USDELOFF TOLD HIM THAT OUR INSTRUCTIONS ARE TO WORK TO RECONCILE FRANCH AND RUSSIAN VERSIONS OF HUMAN CONTACTS INTRODUCTORY TEXTS. WE HAVE A PREFERENCE FOR THE LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN FRENCH TEXT BUT CAN BE FLEXIBLE ON DETAILS.

2. DUBININ SEEMED SOMEWHAT TAKEN ABACK AND DID NOT RESPOND DIRECTLY BUT ANGLED OFF ONTO A NEW TOPIC. LATER IN THE CONVERSATION HE TACKED BACK TO THE HUMAN CONTACTS INTRODUCTORY TEXT, BUT SPOKE VAGUELY OF SOVIET WILLINGNESS TO COM-PROMISE (BUT WITHOUT INDICATING THAT SOVIET DEL COULD ACCEPT ANY CHANGES IN THE RUSSIAN LANGUAGE TEXT), AND THEN WENT ON TO SPECULATE ABOUT MORE DRASTIC "SOLUTIONS", LIKE DROPPING THE INTRODUCTORY TEXT

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ALTOGETHER EXCEPT FOR LANGUAGE ON "MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE

CONDITIONS", OR ELIMENATING THE PARTICULAR PARAGRAPHS WHERE
DISPUTES HAVE ARISEN OVER THE FRENCH AND RUSSIAN VER-
SIONS.

3. WE CONCLUDE THAT HIS ISSUE REMAINS A HIGHLY SENSI-
TIVE ONE FOR THE SOVIET DEL AND THAT THEY HAVE
NOT YET DECIDED HOW TO DEAL WITH IT. DALE

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